

I. AMENDMENTS

The amendments set forth below are made in response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed March 30, 2000. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner enter the following amendments in the above-captioned application and reconsider the allowability of the application as amended under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111.

A. To the Specification

Applicants request entering the below amendments to the specification.

On page 1, in the paragraph entitled, "Cross-Reference to Related Applications," on the second line, please delete:

"herein incorporated by reference in its entirety".

This text was mistakenly presented in the statement of the chain of priority of the application under 35 U.S.C. § 120. The statement is surplusage as the specification of Application Number 08/113,329 is the identical specification to that of the instant application.

On page 18, line 13, please change "Fig. 6" to -- Figs. 6a and 6b --.

On page 37, line 23, delete both occurrences of "units" and replace both occurrences with -- words --.

On page 37, line 24, delete "words" and replace with -- units --.

On page 37, line 25, delete "words" and replace with -- units --.

The above amendments to the specification are being made to correct typographical errors and to make the sentence consistent with the disclosure. See, Applicants' specification at page 14, line 26 through page 15, line 6. No new matter is added by these amendments.